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Data Set Description:

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Instrument: UV Spectrometer (JYDH10 system)

Site: Briançon, France (44.90N, 6.65E, 1310m) Sept. 1999.

Measurement Quantities:

Spectral irradiance on a horizontal surface (cosine weighted) of UV 280-450 nm at 0.75 nm resolution (FWHM). Scans are taken at intervals of 0.5 hours from sunrise to sunset.

The data summaries on the NDSC database include the following:

1. 280-400 nm integral
2. UVA, 315-400 nm integral
3. UVB, 280-315 nm integral
4. Erythema UV
5. Derived ozone (from ratio 305/340 nm intensity)

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Instrument Description:

Cosine response error is 11%, instead of 5%, at SZA=60 degrees.

Data are cosine corrected.

Global and diffuse spectral irradiances are modeled for clear sky at several Solar Zenith Angle (SZA), assuming that sky radiance is isotropic. The cosine correction (CC) is defined as:

$$CC(sza) = 1 / [R(sza) [1-p(sza)] + p(sza) D]$$

Where

R Cosine response

p ratio of diffuse to global irradiances

D Correction on diffuse irradiance as defined by Grainger (1993)

A polynomial form of cosine correction has then been developed depending only on SZA. Since SPUV01 and O2 spectroradiometers measure only global irradiance, the fraction of diffuse irradiance is unknown. This fraction is the main source of uncertainties that could reach up to 5% for SZA over 20 degrees.

Up to Dec 2001 Cosine response error was 11%, instead of 5%, at SZA=60 degrees.

From Dec 2001 to present Cosine response error is less than 5%, at SZA=75 degrees.

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Wavelength error is corrected with ShicRIVM program. Residual shift is lower than 0.02 nm in the UV range, except in the range 325-345 nm

Sampling step is 0.5 nm somewhat larger than 0.5xFWHM (0.35 nm)

Slit function.

specification of 10^{-3} at 2.5 FWHM is reached

specification of 10^{-5} at 6 FWHM not achieved

Absolute calibration uncertainties

Lower than 10%.

Only global irradiance is measured.

Algorithm Description:

Acquisition program works under SPECTRAMAX 1.1d from J&Y

Current Macro version is Solar4.a

Setup Acquisition defined by calibration.

Selection of calibration and reference irradiance files specified in above file

Dark noise and straylight during calibration removed.

Reference irradiance interpolated (cubic spline) at calibrated wavelengths.

Measuring setup checked.

Dark noise and straylight during measurement removed.

Signal converted into irradiance

Wavelength shift calculated with SHICRIVM program (version 2.7).

Wavelength shift corrected.

Spectral irradiance interpolated (cubic spline) at original wavelengths.

Instrument History:

Mar 1999 First measurements during CUVRA campaign (Garmisch-PartenKirschen, Germany)

Jul 1999 Acquisition system modified (Datascan -> Spectralink)

Sep 1999 Measurements at Briançon began

Jan 2000 Setup acquisition modified (solar02.scn -> solar04.scn)

Dec 2001 Heating system improved

Jan 2002 Diffuser changed

Ago 2002 New diffuser with 3m optical fiber installed

The data processing algorithm has undergone many revisions, which will continue.